# October 14, 2014 Regular Meeting Item #9c Community Development

# Inyo-Mono IRWMP Phase II Plan Admin. Update

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

#### **CHAPTER 1: DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR THE INYO-MONO IRWM PROGRAM**

Changed dates based on actual work done.

The list of stakeholders on p. 8 was updated based on participation in the last two years.

Outdated or inapplicable information was deleted (a few sentences at most)

A description of the new funding allocation agreement among the six Lahontan funding region IRWM groups was included (p. 20)

#### **CHAPTER 2: REGIONAL DESCRIPTION**

Included a 20 year planning horizon. Added material on social and cultural makeup Further described and justified the boundaries Added material on neighboring IRWM regions

#### **CHAPTER 3: CLIMATE CHANGE**

Two sections were added to bring the chapter into compliance with the Plan standard:

a section on prioritizing vulnerabilities, and

a section on data collection and analysis related to the vulnerabilities.

#### **CHAPTER 4: DATA MANAGEMENT**

Defines Data Management System

Data needs identified: Census issues in rural areas, DWP participation, military lands

Stakeholder contributions to data: Counties, DWP, Mono LC, MCWD/TOML, USGS, USFS, DWR, SWRCB

Program Data has grown considerably: census, survey data, project data, small water systems, and project/plan monitoring data.

Data acquisition methods outlined, QA/QC measures added

Data compatibility with other systems.

#### **CHAPTER 5: GOVERNANCE**

A small amount of detail was added, but the substance of the content was not altered.

#### **CHAPTER 6: OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT**

Information on additional outreach meetings was added.

#### CHAPTER 7: OBJECTIVES & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

Information on additional outreach meetings was added.

#### **CHAPTER 8: COORDINATION**

Added specific examples of coordination among stakeholders. Some specific information on other IRWM groups we have coordinated with. More on the role of DWR in facilitating communication among regions. A small amount of new information on agency alignment.

#### CHAPTER 9: FINANCE

Added paragraphs regarding private funding options

Added paragraphs regarding longevity of grant funding, fundraising capacity, long-term sustainable finance plan, potential funding if Prop 1 passes.

#### CHAPTER 10: NEEDS ASSESSMENT & CAPACITY BUILDING

This chapter has not changed at all

#### **CHAPTER 11: LAND USE & WATER PLANNING DOCUMENTS INTEGRATION**

Topics added to chapter:

Current Relation & Dynamics of Land Use and Water Planning Documents

Land Use & Water Integrated Planning

Coordination of current Planning Activities (WATER): groundwater, watershed, urban, agriculture, County General Plans, Salt and Salinity Management, Water System Mapping and capacity building

Coordination of current Planning Activities (LAND USE): USFS efforts and the need for improvement

Challenges to Water and Land use planning integration: rural geography, socioeconomic, low prioritization from some stakeholders.

Future Plans and Ideas for Integrated Planning Solutions: improved fund raising to facilitate coordinated planning efforts, continue capacity building efforts, continue leadership as a key resource for water-related information, legislation, research

# CHAPTER 12: PLAN IMPLEMENTATION, IMPACTS & BENEFITS, AND PERFORMANCE MONITORING

This chapter is now a combination of two chapters from the previous iteration of the Plan: Plan Implementation and Plan Performance & Monitoring (was Chapters 12 and 13). This chapter went through a significant overhaul to include information on Plan and project performance monitoring that has taken place since 2012 and to meet the Plan standard.

#### **CHAPTER 13: PROJECT REVIEW PROCESS**

Changes to this chapter and the RFP were minimal. A few sentences were changed or deleted to bring the chapter up-to-date. Content was added to the RFP to ensure it meets the Plan standard.

#### **CHAPTER 14: INYO-MONO PHASE II PROJECTS**

The project table in the chapter has been updated to reflect projects submitted through the online system after July 1, 2012.

The quantitative analysis of the projects will be updated through the next revision process.

**MORE INFORMATION** 

HTTP://INYO-MONOWATER.ORG/INYO-MONO-IRWM-PLAN-2/2014-PLAN-UPDATE/

HTTP://INYO-MONOWATER.ORG/WP-CONTENT/UPLOADS/2014/10/IM\_PHASEIIPLAN\_DRAFT\_20141008\_HA.PDF

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Authorize staff to support approval of Phase II Plan update at October 22 meeting of Inyo-Mono IRWMP and provide any other desired direction to staff.

CA Integrated Regional Water Management and the Invo-Mono Integrated **Regional Water** Management Program

Presentation to the Mono County Board of Supervisors

October 14, 2014

Mark Drew, PhD

## IRWMPs: A Roadmap to Managing Water Resources



# Background Funding: Proposition 50 and 84

- Proposition 50 (2002)
- ~ \$400 million for IRWM
  - approximately \$15 million for preparing IRWM Plans
  - ~\$370 million for project implementation
- Proposition 84 (2006)
- \$1 billion for IRWM
  - \$30 million for Planning Grants statewide
  - \$27 million for South Lahontan funding area for project implementation
- Prop 1, Nov. 2014
  - ~\$1 billion for IRWM

### IRWMPs (con't)

- Are <u>voluntary</u> regional plans developed and adopted by regional water management groups.
- Provide regional coordination, development of multi-benefit projects, and access to State funds.
- Are non-regulatory and do not have the power to intercede in current plans and agreements.
- Are required by State agencies for certain grant applications.
- Serve as a primary conduit for funding water related projects based on DWR established criteria.

# IRWM Programs are as much about building relationships as managing resources!



## The Inyo-Mono IRWMP: People and Places



More than 30 entities involved Consensus based governance Broad geographical coverage



# The Inyo-Mono Program-Timeline

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#### 2008

Launching of Invo-Mono regional effort Seed funding from Sierra Nevada Alliance & CalTrout Memorandum of Understanding 2009 Region Acceptance Process application and approval Continued outreach 2010 Planning Grant Application submitted First Inyo-Mono IRWM Plan completed and submitted 2011 Submitted Round 1 Implementation Proposal : Planning Grant DAC grant awarded 2012 Round 1 Implementation Proposal implemented: 7 projects underway Round 2 Planning Grant awarded 2013 Round 2 Implementation proposal-\$0 funding 2014 +Plan update to meet DWR-2012 Plan Standards Inter-regional (Lahontan) coordination **Regional Self-Sufficiency** 

# 2013-2014 Accomplishments

- Four of seven Round 1 Implementation projects completed
- West Walker River Restoration Planning Study initiated
- Fifteen capacity-building workshops
- Continued RWMG meetings
- Continued DAC grant work wrap-up in Sept. 2014
- Plan updates to meet DWR Plan Standards-pending approval during October 22<sup>nd</sup> Group meeting.
- Initiated formation of 501(c)(3)
- Integrated objectives & RMS with County General Plans

# **Moving Forward**



Completion of DAC grant & report

- DAC documentary showings
- Presentation of DAC findings
- Recommendations
- Completion of Plan update
- Three remaining Implementation projects
- Two planning studies
- Future funding??

# Request of the Board

- DWR requires regional Plans meeting 2012 Standards
- Revisions to current plan have been completed based on Plan Standard criteria
- Per DWR requirements and theInyo-Mono MOU, Group needs to approve plan before being submitted to DWR for their review and approval
- As a signatory to the MOU, we are asking that the Board direct staff to approve, or at a minimum, not object to approving of the updated Plan.

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